parties in the news bulletins. The news items are included on the basis of their news value their being in accordance with guidelines. The statements made by the Prime Minister have policy implications and his address to the national convention of the Janata Dal (S) were, therefore, included in the Doordarshan news bulletins.

Visit of Amnesty International Team to India

760. SHRIMATI SATYA BAHIN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that an Amnesty International Team visited India in the recent past;

(b) if so, what was the number of members of the team with details of countries they belonged to;

(c) the parts of the country they visited and the persons/authorities/organisations/parties they contacted;

(d) what was the objective of their visit to India and who sponsored them for the visit; and

(e) what is Government's reaction to their visits?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI SUBODH KANT SAHAY): (a) to (e) A team consisting of three members of the Amnesty International (2 British and 1 Senegalese) visited India to attend the Third World Congress on the Human Rights at New Delhi from 10th to 15th December, 1990 and Leadership training Workshop at Telegaon Debhade, Pune from 16th to 21st December, 1990. The Third World Congress on Human Rights, New Delhi was co-sponsored by the Governments of Denmark, Netherlands and Norway and the Leadership Training Workshop was organised by the India Section of Amnesty International with the cooperation of Dutch Section of Amnesty International. The congress was held with the approval of Government and representative of Ministry of External Affairs was associated in the preparatory committee. It is expected that such visits will encourage a dialogue that will lead to an objective appraisal of the situation prevailing in the country.

दिल्ली में केन्द्रीय भण्डारों से खराब सामान का हटाया जाना

761. श्री अजीत जोगी :
कुमारी अनिता :

क्या प्रधान मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि कुछ समय पूर्व केन्द्रीय भण्डार दिल्ली की दुकानों से 1.5 लाख रुपये का खराब माल हटाया गया था ;

(ख) क्या खराब हुए सामान की वास्तविक जांच पर उसे कम मूल्य का पाया गया ;

(ग) यदि हां, तो तत्संबंधी ब्यौरा क्या है ;

(घ) क्या इस मामले में कोई जांच कराई गई है ; और

(ङ) यदि हां, तो उसका क्या परिणाम निकला है ?

प्रधान मंत्री कार्यालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री कमल मोरारका) : (क) से (ङ) केन्द्रीय भण्डार के अधिकारियों द्वारा इसकी कुछ परचून दुकानों की की गई जांच से यह पता लगा है कि क्षतिग्रस्त सामग्री जो बिक्री के लिए उपयुक्त नहीं है कई सालों से एकत्रित होती जा रही थी और इस सामग्री ने, ग्राहकों के सामने एक बहुत ही बेढंगी तस्वीर प्रस्तुत करने के अतिरिक्त भण्डार का बहुत सा महत्वपूर्ण स्थान घेर रखा था । अतः केन्द्रीय भण्डार के प्रबन्धकों ने विभिन्न परचून दुकानों (जिनमें इसके चलते फिरते वाहन भी शामिल हैं, से जिनकी उस समय कुल संख्या 58 थी, खराब माल उठाने का निर्णय लिया था।